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SUBJECT: CHASE MANHATTAN ACTIVITIES IN EAST BERLIN

1. ALFRED R. WENTWORTH, FORMERLY CHASE MANHATTAN RESIDENT REP IN MOSCOW, AND CHARLES F.A. SCHROEDER, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT, CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, CALLED AT EMBASSY NOVEMBER 4 AND 5 IN COURSE OF A VISIT TO EAST BERLIN. THEY TOLD EMBASSY IN CONFIDENCE THAT HASE WILL LEND GDR \$20 MILLION FOR TWO YEARS TO FINANCE CURRENT GRAIN AND FEED PURCHASES FROM U.S. WENTWORTH SAID CHASE WOULD OFFER UP TO THEIR ONE-BORROWER LEGAL LIMIT OF \$150 MILLION ON SAME TERMS IF GDR WANTS IT.

2. WENTWORTH WAS ALSO INTERESTED TO FIND OUT WHAT BANKS (CREDIT LYONNAIS, SOCIETE GENERALE, BANCA COMMERCIALE ITALIANA) HAVE RECEIVED GDR APPROVAL FOR REPRESENTATIVE OFFICES IN EAST BERLIN. WENTWORTH DID NOT SAY SO, BUT WE WOULD NOT BE AT ALL SURPRISED IF CHASE WERE TO

TURN UP WITH GDR PERMISSION TO OPEN AN OFFICE OF ITS OWN.
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